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and sometimes a bit elaborate and extravagant in his choice of words, does not mean he always misses the mark. He just shoots all over the mark, the target, so at some point he's going to hit the target. It's like this young guy who had a very steady hand, Senator Bohlke, and he went out to shoot this squirrel with a long rifle and he aimed and he squeezed the trigger, but he flinched and he missed it. Then this old guy went out there and...well, Senator Coordsen, you don't mind me bringing in because you're a good sport, he was just shaking like a leaf on a tree. And finally, he tried to get the squirrel in sight the best he could and he pulled the trigger and hit the squirrel. And when he was bragging about how much better he was than the young man, the young man said, well, you should have hit him. You aimed everywhere on the tree that you could aim. Well, the Legislature does not have to do that. We don't have to legislate in a scatter gun fashion. If this is a serious matter, and I think that it is, we should address it this session. We can extend it very easily. If this language stays in the law, it is not intent language. It is operative language. If that stays in the law, and the date is reached which triggers its operation, it will take effect. And if that language that Senator Withem put into the law brought us to this point, how many of you think if we're unwilling to deal with it now that the Legislature is going to deal with it next session? I say again, as far as I'm concerned personally, the Legislature's fortunes are determined by others than myself. So I present the motion to you and I think you ought to consider it very seriously and know what it is that we're doing, because from this moment on, everybody knows what is in Senator Wickersham's amendment; everybody knows what we can do to address it.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do hereby sign LR 481, (LR) 482, and LB 341, (LB) 341A, (LB) 532, (LB) 532A, (LB) 752A, (LB) 1219, (LB) 1219A, (LB) 1035, (LB) 1129, (LB) 1158, (LB) 1174, (LB) 1174A. Senator Vrtiska, your light is next.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. On this last day of the session, I had intended to get up and speak at length about this particular issue, but after